Dear Parents, Caregivers and Members of the School Community,

I draw to your attention student attendance this week. Did you know, attending 90% of the time is one day missed per fortnight and equates to a year of school missed from Pre Primary to Year 9. When expressed in these terms it is quite confronting and I ask you to consider this when next considering supporting a student absence from school. There is no attendance threshold, every day counts, and every day absent reduces student achievement.

Our current attendance rate is only 67%. This indicates there is a large number of students who are not attending regularly and are “At Risk”. The Act states, “students must attend every day the school is open for instruction.” Due to this, as a badges Attendance Officer I will be visiting homes, in an official capacity, acknowledging student absence from school and assisting students and families to maintain regular attendance. We look forward to your support, and look forward to all students striving to be acknowledged for their attendance at the end of the term.

I sincerely thank those parents that regularly, willingly play an active role in their child’s education, and support our staff in their endeavours to provide the best possible education, including a strong focus on having your students attend school regularly. Parent engagement matters.

Study after study has shown that student achievement improves when parents play an active role in their child’s education and that good schools become great schools when parents are involved. It is recognised that parent engagement is a key factor in the enhancement of student achievement and well-being. Students are more likely to be motivated, to display more desirable behaviour and social skills, and continue their education to a higher level when their parents are actively engaged in supporting their success at school.

I wish to give special mention to our small, yet extremely proactive, Parents and Citizens Association, led by Jo Thomas, who are achieving amazing things for all East Narrogin Primary School students. It is recognised, and so too is the enhanced engagement of your students attend school regularly. Parent engagement matters.

Please also strongly consider paying your Voluntary Contributions. For this small amount of money you will not only be assisting our school to further enhance its educational offerings for our students, but also go into the running to win a valuable item that will be announced soon.

Please remember that we have early close at ENPS every Monday. School closes at 2.30pm Kindy closes at 2.30pm

coming events

Fotoworks School Photos Thursday 14 August
Free Dress Day Friday 22 August
Ballet Incursion Wednesday 27 August
Room 8 Assembly Friday 29 August
P & C Meeting at 7.00pm Monday 8 September
Faction Jumps & Throws at ENPS oval Tuesday 9 September
Faction Athletics Carnival at Thomas Hogg Oval Tuesday 11 September

faulty phone lines

At the present time we have a fault with our telephone lines. If you ring the school office from time to time the line may drop out at our end and we are unable to hear anything. If you hold on the line will come back after a short period.

Telstra are working on rectifying the problem and hope to have it repaired by Friday 15 August. We apologies for any inconvenience.
Pay your contributions before the final day of Term 3, Friday 26 September, to be in it to win it!

In closing, I congratulate those students who have represented our school during the past fortnight. Our Year 1 and Year 2 students did a brilliant job singing in Noongar at the recent NAIDOC assembly, held at Narrogin SHS. Students in the Narrogin Junior Band were most impressive at the Winter Concert, held on Sunday 10 August at Narrogin SHS Performing Arts Centre, and I excitedly await the results of those participating in the State Cross Country Championships in Perth today!

Finally, be sure to listen to Radio West every Friday from 8.00am – 8.30am to hear our Year 6/7 students reading the weather!

“If everyone is moving forward together, then success takes care of itself.” ~ Henry Ford ~

Kate Wilson
Principal, East Narrogin Primary School

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**From the Deputies**

**Year 6/7 Leadership**
This week the leadership group are learning how to focus on meeting the needs of others and the school. The group is working hard to organise and run small events within the school without being reminded. This Friday will be a great example of student leadership where the students will organise a fun student versus staff netball game. The leaders are taking more responsibility and trying to focus on being proactive.

**Road Safety**
East Narrogin Primary School students are participating in a whole school approach to Road Safety Education. Research tells us that influencing the behaviour of road users is important in the effort to save lives (Road Safety Council 2008).

In response to that, the long term vision of the State Government is to develop a safe road system where crashes resulting in death and serious injury are virtually eliminated. An important part of this safe system approach is to educate children. Please take the time this week to read the take home activity sheet on Bike Road Safety with your family.

**Doorum Dancers**
Last week some classes were involved in learning about traditional Aboriginal dancing and didgeridoo techniques. The students thoroughly enjoyed the workshops provided by Cameron Hayden and Olman Walley.

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**Fotoworks**
Are coming to our school Thursday, 14 August
Your child/children have received home their envelopes for their class photos and individual portraits.
Forms are available at the front office if you wish to have a siblings photo taken.

Both forms can be returned to school prior to photo day or they can be returned on the day. Forms **must be returned** even if you do not want photos.

If you have any queries please contact the office or FOTOWORKS directly on 92448211.

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**East Narrogin Primary School ETF Banking details for Voluntary Contributions**
Commonwealth Bank
BSB: 066040
Account No: 19901631

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**Free Dress - Friday 22 August**
Yesterday, (Monday 11 August) Mrs Ann McLeish spoke at the operational assembly about her trek to Albany to raise money for the flying doctor. Since 2008 she has raised $92000.00 for this charity and is hoping to get to raise $100000.00 by the end of her walk to Albany. Our school would like to support Mrs McLeish by having a free dress day on Friday 22 August. Students are encouraged to bring a gold coin donation on this day to help her raise money for the flying doctor.

**Deputy Principals**
Joanna Hayes & Johan van Wyk
Selamat datang kembali, semua. (Welcome back, everyone.)

Indonesia Independence Day is on Sunday 17 August. It is the day Indonesians’ celebrate their National Day. This special day celebrates Indonesia’s independence from Dutch colonialism.

To celebrate this special day, several classes will be doing a cooking lesson in Indonesian during week 5 and 6. The students are very excited about the cooking lesson and tasting the food. Besides the cooking lesson, the students will be learning words and sentences about classroom objects this term.

We would also like to welcome Miss Wilson to our school and we hope she is enjoying her time at ENPS so far.

**Let’s Learn Indonesian Together**

(In Indonesian, you don’t add ‘s’ or ‘es’ for the plural)

- **Pensil** – Pencil(s)
- **Pena** – Pen(s)
- **Kotak pensil** – Pencil case(s)
- **Buku** – Book(s)
- **Tas** – School bag/bag
- **Meja** – Desk(s)
- **Kursi** – Chair(s)
- **Kelas** – Class(es)

**Terima kasih (Thank you).**

Pak Young (Mr Young)

Teacher of Indonesian Language

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**From the Canteen**

Thank you to our wonderful helpers: Ebony Rogers (who helped twice), Louise Coppock, Brodie Corker, Teresa Thomas and Lee Rutherford for your help. It is very much appreciated.

Room 4 is on roster this week with Room 5 being on roster for week 5.

**Uniforms**

Faction polo’s have now been ordered and hopefully be here in time for our faction carnival. We will let you know when the tops arrive.

**Ros, Jo & Lorraine Canteen Managers**

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**Healthy Kids Australia Report Card**

Recently the first Active Healthy Kids Australia Report Card was launched. The findings are alarming - Australian school children rank among the worst in the world for overall physical activity levels, narrowly avoiding a FAIL. The Report finds that 80% of 5-17 year olds are not meeting the Australian physical activity guidelines of at least 60 minutes of exercise each day.

Using an international ranking tool developed in Canada, Australia’s Report Card can be measured against 14 other countries around the world.

Among the 12 grades assigned in the Report Card, key grades include:

- **D** - for Overall Physical Activity Levels
- **B** - for Organised Sport and Physical Activity Participation
- **D** - for Active Transportation (such as riding or walking to school)
- **D** - for Sedentary Behaviours (screen time)


See how you can be active as a family: ‘10 easy ways to be active as a family’


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**Lost Property**

Just a reminder to parents and carers to please put names on your child’s/children school uniform as we are finding a lot of clothes in the lost property and can not return them as they have no name on them.

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**VAC Swim October Swimming Programs**

Enrolments for VacSwim’s October school holiday swimming and water safety lessons opened on 1 August. VacSwim is available to all children five years old and under 18 years on the first day of each lesson.

It is important for every child to learn to swim properly and develop essential water safety skills. VacSwim’s October program is conducted by qualified instructors who teach children the skills to be confident swimmers and safe in the water.

The October program is as follows:

- **9 day program (40mins/day)**, Tuesday 30 September to Friday 10 October.
- **5 day program (35minutes/day)**, Monday 6 October to Friday 10 October (limited centres).

Enrolments close Monday 8 September 2014.

For further information, costs and how to enrol are online.

Please visit education.wa.edu.au/swimming. Or telephone Les Lazarakis, Manager Swimming and Water Safety on 9344 0999 or email Les.Lazarakis@education.wa.edu.au

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**Asia Literacy and L.O.T.E. News**

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**More photos of the Doorum Dancers**
ITS ON AGAIN:

Off to the Races
Virtual Race Night

East Narrogin Primary School
P & C together with
Geoff Perkins Farm Machinery

Date:
Saturday 4th October 2014

Venue: John Higgins Centre, Clayton Rd

Fashions on the Field, Auctions, Coin Toss
And much more

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM
The Hairdressers
Federal St, Narrogin

Entry fees:
$25.00 per ticket
(incl. race book & meal voucher)

Gates Open: 6.00pm

LICENSED BAR & FOOD AVAILABLE 18+ EVENT
Play Cricket WA  
Narrogin Junior Cricket Club  
Registration Day  
Thursday 14 August  
4.30pm—6.00pm at Clayton Road Oval, Narrogin  
Come along and meet a Warrior and Fury Player  
Boys and Girls aged 5-17 of all abilities are welcome.  
For more information go to playcricket.com.au  
or contact Paul.Reid, Regional Cricket Officer—Wheatbelt on 0429 201 216 or Paul.Reid@waca.com.au

Royal Flying Doctor Service  
Quiz Night  
Saturday 6 September at 7.00pm  
At Narrogin Sporting Club, Bannister Road Narrogin  
Tickets on sale at Bill and Bens and Items  
Ann’s mobile number 0487 450 650  
Bring your own nibbles, alcohol on sale. No BYO  
Door prizes, games auctions, raffles and heaps of giveaways.  
Sponsored by Narrogin Sporting Club  
Proceeds go to the Royal Flying Doctor Service

Please help us to find young people who care!  
2014 Young People Who Care Awards within your school community.  
It is an annual Western Australian award program that recognises and rewards young, compassionate young people between the ages of 8 and 18 who provide voluntary care for a family member with a disability/illness or to a person/people in their community.  
The awards are offered in two categories:  
- Caring in the Community Award (individual or group) - recognises a young person or group of young people who provide voluntary care to a person or people in their community.  
- Young Carer Award—Recognises a young person who cares for a family member with a disability or illness.  
The closing date for nominations is Friday 26 September  
Nominations can be entered online at www.youngpeoplewhocare.com.au  
If you would like further information please contact Carer WA on 1300 CARERS (1300 227 277) or marketing@carerswa.asn.au

Stall Holders Wanted  
Narrengin Senior High School’s P&C  
Open Day & Market Fair  
10.00am—3.00pm Saturday 13 September  
School and Residential College Tours including new multi-million dollar Performing Arts Centre, Hilltop Café, Market & Food Stalls, demonstrations, seminars, musical performances & more  
Contact Jo-Anne on 0419 926 208 or nshsopenday@hotmail.com

Watheroo Primary School  
Centenary Celebration  
Saturday 25 October and Sunday 26 October.  
The staff and students of Watheroo Primary School invite you to join our celebration. Please let friends and family know about this special event.  
Watheroo Primary School will be open for visitors to view students’ displays on Saturday 9.00am—5.00pm and Sunday 10.00am—4.00pm. For catering purposes please RSVP by Friday 26 September  
For enquiries please contact Watheroo.PS@education.wa.edu.au or Phone 96517038

Act belong Commit, Narrogin Spring Festival Rotary  
Street Parade  
Saturday 25 October, Memorial Park, Williams Road  
Cash prizes, entry is free!  
It is time to get working on your floats or walking groups.  
2014 Parade Theme: Party, Party, Party  
Street parade only/entry forms are available on the WEB page or contact Mike Page on 0429 794 518  
Enter forms to be returned by Friday 17 October.

Promote your Business through Radio West  
UGSHA & NDNA Grand Finals 2014  
Saturday 20 September.  
The UGSHA and NDNA Grand Finals are almost here and Radio West will once again be there covering all the action.  
This massive event will see listeners tune in from right across the region so it’s a great opportunity to become a sponsor and show your support for your local sporting teams while gaining excellent promotion for your business.  
Package 1—10 commercials on Radio West plus bonus fill  
1 x 30 second production $181.50 inc GST  
Package 2—15 commercials on Radio West plus bonus fill  
1 x 30 second production $250.25 inc GST  
Fax details to Radio West Narrogin 9881 3166

Grooming and Department  
Starting 12 August at Bettina’s Beauty Salon.  
Courses will be offered over 7 weeks on a Tuesday afternoon.  
Junior Program: Suitable for 8-12 years of age.  
Time: 3.45pm—4.45pm, Cost $280.00  
Course designed to give children the opportunity to learn important confidence and presentation skills, to enable them to express their inner strength and creativity.  
Shine Program: Suitable for 13-17 years of age  
Time: 4.45pm—6.15pm, Cost $385.00  
Confidence and presentation are two contributing factors in success; learn to make the right impression.  
Photography: Two hour photo shoot cost $200.00  
Half an hour consultation, hair makeup and styling, fashion and accessories available.  
Limited numbers in each group, to secure a position in these courses please email Ebony on ebax94@bigpond.com

Kelly’s Ride to Conquer Cancer  
Girls Night In Fundraiser  
Saturday 16 August at 7.00pm  
Elders Shop, Fairway Street, Narrogin.  
Tickets: $20.00 available from Elders Narrogin.  
Kelly Kensett-Smith is riding 200kms to raise money for the Harry Perkins Medical Institute.  
Fashion Parade, Live Music by Tom O’Brien, Clothing Auction.  
Free champagne on arrival, finger food provided.  
Door prize, raffle, games.  
I kindly ask for your support by bringing one high quality clothing item to donate to the auction. Donations of handbags, shoes and jewellery would also be received with heartfelt gratitude.
Dear family,

Deciding when your child is ready and able to ride safely to and from school is very important. Riding a bicycle is a great way to get to school, however it’s a good idea to accompany your child until you are confident they have the necessary skills to get there safely.

Take time to help your child learn to ride properly and safely by practising the following skills in a quiet park with cycle paths.

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<th>Starting off</th>
<th>1. Look behind you and to both sides before moving off.</th>
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<td>Controlling road</td>
<td>1. Keep left and ride in a straight line with the traffic flow.</td>
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<td>2. Ride at least one metre away from parked cars. Someone could open their door unexpectedly!</td>
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<td>3. Keep a safe distance away from the kerb.</td>
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<td>4. Don’t follow cars too closely. You might be in their blind spot.</td>
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<td>5. Listen for cars approaching from the side or behind you.</td>
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<td>6. Keep control of your bike. Don’t swerve or make sudden turns as drivers may not be able to react fast enough to avoid colliding with you.</td>
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<td>7. Watch out for potential hazards – potholes, gravel and drainage holes.</td>
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<td>Braking smoothly</td>
<td>1. Use your front and back brakes.</td>
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<td>2. Stop in a straight line with complete control over your bike.</td>
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<td>Turning left</td>
<td>1. Always check for traffic behind you and coming from the right.</td>
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<td>2. Signal clearly if you intend to stop and give way or turn into the new road.</td>
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<td>3. Turn at a speed that allows you to keep full control over the bike.</td>
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<td>Turning right</td>
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<td>2. Move as close as possible to the left of the centre of the road.</td>
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<td>3. Signal to stop if the intersection isn’t clear or signal to turn if the intersection is clear.</td>
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<td>4. Keep both hands on the handlebars while you are turning.</td>
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<td>5. Move through the intersection and ride to the left of the centre of the new road.</td>
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<td>Keeping control</td>
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<td>2. When riding down hills, keep a constant road position.</td>
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Thank you for playing a vital role in your child’s road safety education.

Classroom Teacher